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For: PORTABLE DATA RECORDING AND/OR PLAYBACK DEVICE

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant files herewith the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims.

22. A portable data recording or playback device, comprising
a data capture device or data output device; and
a data memory device or data readout device,
wherein i) data capture device or data capture device, and ii) the data memory device or
the data readout device, are contained in a headband.
23. The device of claim 22 further comprising operating controls for the data memory
device or the data readout device, and the operating controls contained in the headband.
24. The device of claim 22 further comprising operating controls that comprise sound
capture apparatus for capture of a sound signal.

25. The device of claim 24 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

26. A portable data recording or playback device, comprising
a data capture device or data output device;
a data memory device or data readout device; and
operating controls.

27. The device of claim 26 wherein the operating controls comprise sound capture apparatus for capture of a sound signal.

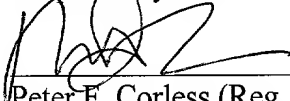
28. The device of claim 26 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

REMARKS

Claims 22-28 have been added to the application.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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